Banned Drugs

†68. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of such drugs which have been banned in the national and international sports events;

(b) whether the sports persons and coaches are made fully aware of the substitutes thereof; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI SUNIL DUTT): (a) Details of drugs banned and notified by the World Anti Doping Agency (WADA) for the years 2004 (updated on 17.3.2004): are placed at [*See* Appendix-2003 Annexure No. 4]

(b) and (c) Yes Sir. During the National Coaching Camps, athletes are educated about the prohibited substances and methods as notified by the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) and its harmful effects. An information guide in the form of a Directory on 'Drugs in Sports' and Handbook on 'Drugs Abuse in Sports' developed by the Lab Scientists are also circulated among sportspersons, coaches, doctors and athlete support personnel as part of the educational programme. List of banned drugs and placards for educating the players are also put in the rooms of the campers. Random checking of the rooms of the campers is also done to ensure that no banned drugs are being used. The Sports Medicine Doctor at Netaji Subash National Institute of Sports, Patiala and other Regional Centres of Sports Authority of India conduct lectures to educate the players not to use any banned drugs. Apart from the above, random tests are also done during coaching camps, selection trails, domestic competitions and prior to participation in International Competitions.

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